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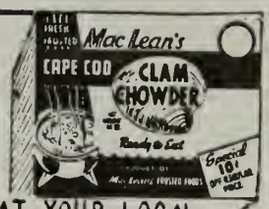

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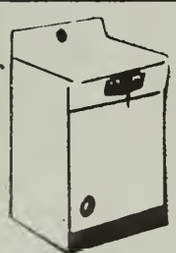
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JUVENILE GRANGE MEETING

The Mattapoisett Juvenile Grange held its meeting Friday night in the Grange Hall with Carlton Vaughan, Jr. presiding.

A letter of appreciation was read from the Subordinate Grange for the birthday cake the Juvenile Grange had given them for their 64th birthday anniversary. A congratulatory letter to the Master was read from the State Lecturer, Marion L. Johnson.

It was voted to have ice cream at the next meeting, February 10th, it being the 26th birthday of the Junior Grange. The refreshment committee, Susan Sherman, Susan Bence, Dale Fearing and Steven Kelley, will serve cupcakes with the ice cream.

Plans were discussed for the program the Juvenile Grange will present in Fairhaven February 4th for Sippican Pomona. The officers met this Tuesday at the home of the matron, Mrs. Barbara Heuberger.

Home and Community Service Night was observed, and the program was turned over to the chairman, Rebecca Day, who introduced Mrs. Marion Hatton, chairman of the Home and Community Service of the Subordinate Grange. She demonstrated a very fine and interesting program of cake decorating, showing several patterns of flowers, etc. This seemed to be as interesting to the boys as well as the girls. The Juvenile chairman presented Mrs. Hatton with a gift in appreciation of the time and work given the Juvenile Grange.

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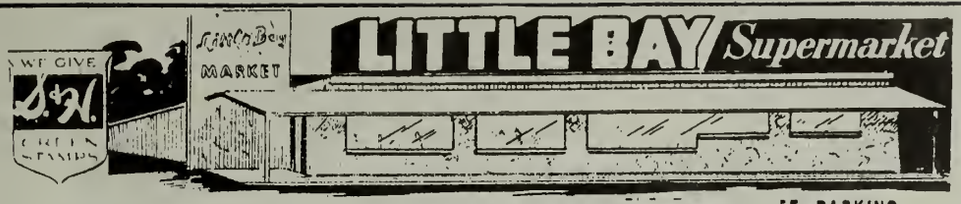

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Miss Gale Heuberger has been chosen to be Queen of the sophomore class at the Winter Carnival at Westfield College, Westfield, Mass. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester H. Heuberger of Mechanic Street, Mattapoisett.

SNOW BUNTINGS SEEN IN ROCHESTER

Several Rochester residents enjoyed a rare sight when a flock of nearly 1000 snow buntings spent most of the day feeding and flying over the large open field bounded by Bowen's Lane, Rounseville Road and Vaughan Hill Road. The field, owned by White's Dairy, is a triangular piece of about 100 acres and is used to grow silage and store it in an underground

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SUBORDINATE GRANGE

The Mattapoisett Subordinate Grange will hold its bi-monthly meeting Thursday, February 2nd, at the Grange Hall. The officers of Sippican Pomona will fill the chairs with the Master, Jethro Ashley, presiding.

The program is in charge of the Pomona Lecturer, Mrs. Ann Ashley.

The Home and Community Service Committee is planning a penny sale at this meeting in charge of the chairman, Mrs. Marion Hatton. Members are requested to bring in articles for this sale. Proceeds will go to the State project for Retarded Children.

Refreshments will be served by Mr. and Mrs. John Denham.

ROCHESTER BOWLING LEAGUE, January 24, 1961

Maury Dion's 377 shoved Hartley's Garage to a 2 to 1 win over Rounseville Saw Mill (Barney Jefferson 341) in the Rochester Bowling League. Henry Hartley hit 360 to lead Hartley Saw Mill to a 2 to 1 victory over D. Mahoney & Sons (Gene Benoit 339). Art Tripp came through with a 365 as Gibbs Farm Dairy took two points from Herbs T. V. Shop (Herb Snell 334). The Firemen-Lloyds Market match was postponed to a later date.

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Routine business was conducted at the business meeting, conducted by Mrs. Marian S. Hatton, president. Plans were made for observance of the Circle's first anniversary on February 21st. Mrs. Bertha L. Cory, president of the Benevolent Society, commented briefly on the work done by that organization, as did Mrs. Tinkham.

Mrs. Cowing gave an amusing account of a trip taken by her and Mrs. Gladys Gough. They planned to visit a relative in Maine, but, when they returned, they had visited several places in Nova Scotia, and had been gone nearly a month. Mrs. Cowing will give her scheduled talk on flower arranging at the Circle in the Spring. She attended classes taught by Mrs. Teel of Boston.

TO OBSERVE BIRTHDAY

Wayne L. Bettencourt of Hartley Road, Rochester will observe his 13th birthday on February 3rd.

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Games			
Faculty	87	- 89	(Does not count on record)
Marion	45	- 48	
N. B. Voke	47	- 45	
Wareham	66	- 68	
Marion	54	- 38	
Apponequet	62	- 61	
Acushnet	25	- 29	
N. B. Voke	49	- 36	

REGISTRATION FOR EXPLORERS

Registration day and a business meeting for the reorganization of Mattapoisett Explorer Post 53 will be held this Saturday, February 4th in the Congregational Church parish hall at 9:30 A.M. Bring registration fee of 50¢.

CORRESPONDING OFFICERS' NIGHT OBSERVED AT GRANGE

Corresponding officers' night was observed at the Rochester Grange regular meeting on Wednesday night with visitors present from South Middleboro and Acushnet. A penny sale was enjoyed during the social hour.

Members voted to purchase a birthday gift for Miss Mary Bettencourt, an honorary member, who is a patient at a nursing home. Members were requested to send her a card for February 7th. The address is: Island Terrace Nursing Home, Long Point Road, Lakeville,

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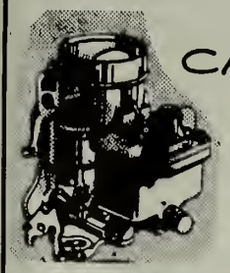

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The Cranberry Growers Association will have the use of the hall for two afternoon meetings, February 15th and March 22nd. Pioneer Girls of the Long Plain Baptist Church, who usually use the hall for their meetings on Wednesday afternoons, will meet elsewhere for those two dates.

A note of thanks from the Rochester First Congregational Church Sunday School for the use of the hall for their Christmas party was read. Mrs. James Hartley was pianist in the absence of Mrs. Doris Gurney.

Refreshments of donuts and coffee were served by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ouellette.

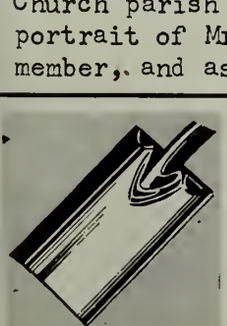
The next meeting, February 8th, will be Rochester Grange birthday night and officers of the East Freetown Grange will fill the chairs.

ENLISTED IN COAST GUARD

Robert Arthur Silva, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Silva of Snipatuit Road, Rochester, has enlisted in the Coast Guard and is taking basic training at Cape May, New Jersey. Paul Usik of Cushman Road is also at Cape May for basic training.

WOMAN'S CLUB SEES ART DEMONSTRATION

Mr. Philip Kelsey of Mattapoisett gave a demonstration and lecture on painting at a meeting last Thursday afternoon of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club in the Congregational Church parish hall. Mr. Kelsey painted a portrait of Mrs. Howard Peterson, a club member, and as he painted he explained his



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methods to the interested audience. Mr. Kelsey, director of Swain School of Design, New Bedford, was introduced by Mrs. Walter Clark, program chairman.

Mrs. Ross Hopkins presided at the business meeting. The invocation was by Mrs. Anthony J. Pelson.

It was voted to donate $25.00 to the American Field Service and $5.00 to the State Federation towards a Music Scholarship. It was also voted to appropriate $8.00 to pay for the play books used by the Literature-Drama Group at their last meeting, the books to be filed away for a possible future program.

Department meetings were announced as follows: American Home Group to have a swap party at their meeting on February 21st at the home of Mrs. Frank Oxnard. Tentative plans have been made by this group to attend the Flower Show in Boston in March. Poetry is to be read and discussed at the Literature-Drama Group meeting February 14th at the home of Mrs. Ross Hopkins. The Music Group will sponsor a Morning Musicale by Mrs. Frederic E. Reynard February 9th at the home of Mrs.

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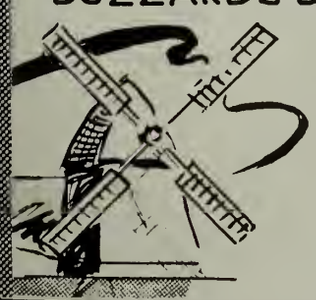

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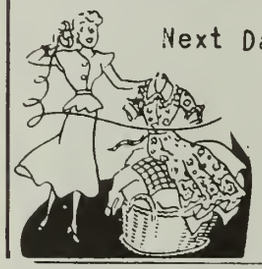

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CONCERNING LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The silencing of public opinion is always the vital first step of the controled society. The opposite policy is vital to a free soceity. There is a saying, "I may not agree with what you say but I'll fight to the death for your right to say it". Letters written to this paper are the opinion of the writer. We feel that the individual who holds an honest conviction which is backed by a signature should have an opportunity to be heard. We credit our readers with the intelligence to form their own opinions. D. Jason

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SALUTE TO THE HIGHWAY CREW

In behalf of the people living on Mattapoisett Neck and Antassawamock, I would like to thank Mr. Manuel Nunes and his Mattapoisett Highway crew for the fine work that they did in removing snow in our area during the storms. It is a real credit to the town of Mattapoisett that people, who live not only in the center of town but on the outlying parts as well, should have such vital service. I don't think anyone can praise the snow removal work in Mattapoisett too much. The men really do a wonderful job.

Betty Kelly
Antassawamock

TO THE EDITOR January 26,
PRESTO PRESS

Dear Sir,

At this week's open School Committee hearing held in Marion by our P.T.A. the Regional School Committee answered inquiry into some of their problems as printed by the Presto Press. Speaking as one citizen of Marion, I suggest the townspeople of Rochester and Mattapoisett would do well to seek answers to their questions from "the horse's mouth". I am sure they will be as satisfied as those attending Marion's open hearing.

Sincerely,
Aileen Lubin

In the January 16th issue of the "Presto Press" my letter was published concerning the financial irresponsibility and easy money policy of the Regional School Committee along with the disbandment of this group.

As of date no response has been received and no resignations submitted, much to the regret of the citizens who are expected to pay for the committee's antics. I am certain that one of the major complaints is the question, "What are school teachers doing in control of the operational budget?"

It is apparent that there are other opportunities for these committee members besides serving for the better interests of the towns.

A recent article in the "Standard Times" said that the town of Dartmouth had granted their teachers a new wage scale of $4,200-$5,700. The Regional School Committee's teachers' wage scale is $4,300 to $6,600. Dartmouth has remained within wage scales of towns in the surrounding area and we have not, although the Regional School Committee promised they would in a publication written by them. This item alone has caused considerable friction in the surrounding towns and also in our local schools as other school committees feel as though they cannot afford to meet this wage scale. This has been passed off by the Regional School Committee as an attraction for more qualified teachers. Dartmouth currently has a school system in operation which will prove more efficient than ours and also has an ability better than ours to meet the budget.

I would like to point out that I believe that the Regional School Committee made a feeble attempt to glorify themselves by issuing a statement of a $2.00 tax cut. This issue made headlines but the clarification was confusing and misleading along with being in small print. Is it not true that this money came from surplus revenue earned on the investment of the bond issue, and not money saved by them by curtailing their easy spending?

At last report there was $104,000 in reimbursement funds and if this is maniuplated and squandered to high bidders, over staffing, and extra equipment, another financial trouble spot will be in the making.

In closing I would like to ask the committee where they think this excessive operational money is coming from as they must be aware that the state of Massachusetts gives the smallest amount of state aid per pupil outside of Wisconsin. I should also like to know why their resignations have not been turned in and a new qualified financial committee appointed to handle this money in the crucial weeks that lie ahead, which would enable the lost confidence of this committee to be restored by new appointees.

John D. Gibbons

THE PRESTO PRESS January 26, 1961

Dear Sirs,

It is felt very strongly by a large number of people that there is another side to the regional school situation.

At a P.T.A. meeting in Marion, Newell Eames of the regional committee stated that all meetings are open to the public and that visitors are welcome. A Standard Times reporter is present, and the paper prints a full account of the meeting. There is nothing hidden. Furthermore, I feel sure that members of the committee are happy to answer questions and make explanations to anyone who would care to phone them. I find that many things which are on the surface unreasonable, have very simple explanations when all the facts are in. Get not only true facts, but get them in relation to others to show the complete situation.

To date the budget has been in line with what was estimated by the committee. These estimates were put before the three towns previous to voting on the formation of a regional school district. The committee is working and has worked very hard to keep our expenses and taxes down. But some things they cannot project into the future. No one can do that. They have stated that, and we must have faith in our committee to do the job which they are well equipped to do. They aren't all business men, but they are all businesslike.

Members of the finance committees of the three towns were invited to a meeting of the committee to discuss the proposed budget for 1961. Representatives from Marion and Rochester attended this meeting. It was regretted that a member from Mattapoisett was not able to be present.

No one should deny that the education of our young people is of vital importance in the deepest sense of the word. This is very serious business in this world race we are having, and we should not let unwillingness to pay taxes for education make our country only a third rate land.

The most important thing in our regional school is the teaching staff. Educators have been emphasizing the fact that the most beautiful building in the world is of no avail without competent and dedicated teachers. Do back your superintendent and committee in this. Our building is well on the way. Let us sincerely hope that we have the best teachers for it.

Very truly yours,
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WOMAN'S CLUB FROM PAGE 9

Walter Clark. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the Music Group. Realism will be discussed at a meeting of the Art Group at the home of Mrs. John DeMello.

The basket was passed for the Penny Art Fund.

Book reviews will be given by 3 members of the Literature-Drama Group at the February 23rd meeting of the club.

New members introduced by Mrs. Harold Banks, membership chairman, are Mrs. Warren Millar, Mrs. Robert Pierce, Mrs. John Day and Mrs. Arthur Hancock.

The Social Activities Committee will sponsor a play, "King of Hearts", a comedy by Jean Kerr and Eleanor Brook, to be presented at the Town Hall March 17th and 18th. A cast reading is to be held this Thursday, February 2nd. Mrs. Howard Peterson is in charge of tickets, Mrs. George C. Bradley, Jr., programs; Mrs. Charles Smith, properties and Mrs. Linwood Lewis, patrons list. Mrs. William Knapton is producer of the play and Van G. Sauter will direct.

The sum of $100. was turned over to the club, proceeds so far from the Friday Morning Bridge Parties.

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Reporting for the Square Dance Association Mrs. Searl Root stated that dances will start June 24th and will continue through July and August.

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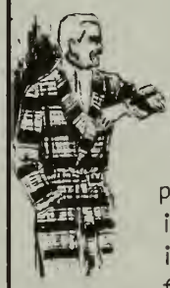

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Mothers Club inviting members to attend "The Four Poster" presented by the O'Neils of Boston on February 18th at the Fairhaven Town Hall. Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. Paul Sicard.

The president announced that the Mid-Winter meeting of the State Federation would be held Tuesday January 31st, at the John Hancock Building, Boston, and that Club Institute had been changed from February 2nd to February 9th.

A doll cake, made by Mrs. Searl Root, with pink and white flowers and pink candles decorated the refreshment table. Mrs. Stanley J. Mysliwy and Mrs. William Walsh poured. Mrs. Charles MacLauchlin, hostess, was assisted by Mrs. Ralph C. Dunn, Mrs. Melvin Miller, Mrs. William M. Milne, Mrs. Frank Oxnard, Mrs. Calvin Perkins, Mrs. Robert Rothwell, Mrs. Searl Root, Mrs. John M. Souza, Jr., Mrs. Fred Tuxworth, Mrs. Edwin C. Winslow, Mrs. Earle D. Wilson and Mrs. F. L. Dixon Yard. The doll cake was presented to Mrs. John Sullivan.

GUILD MEMBERS TO PRESENT PROGRAM

"From Soup to Nuts" is the title of a program to be presented by several members of the Women's Community Guild at a meeting of the Guild to be held Tuesday morning at 10, February 7th, in the Congregational Church parish hall. Mrs. Herbert D. Cray, Jr. will lead devotions. Hostess is Mrs. Marshall Ross.

COUPLES BOWLING LEAGUE

The Penguins and Brutal Beasts tied for first place with identical records of 5 and 1 in the Friday Night Couples Bowling League. Both teams won 3 last Friday night. The Penguins were led by Joseph Kobak's 141 and 378. Bob Sylvia with a 146 and 366. Scoring leaders for the night were Joseph Costa with a high triple of 370 and high single of 137, and for the ladies Alice Dorr, high triple of 325 and high single of 130.

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